

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
82 OHLTOWN ROAD
AUSTINTOWN, OH 44515

REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 13, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township was held Monday, February 13, 2017, at Town Hall, 82 Ohltown Road, Austintown, Ohio.

The meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. with a salute to the flag led by Chairperson Richard Stauffer. Roll Call was as follows: Mr. Davis, present; Mr. Carano, present; and Mr. Stauffer, present.

Mr. Stauffer introduced the Board Members, Department Heads, and Sergeant at Arms.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-01: Motion by Mr. Carano to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 23, 2017.

Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Mr. Dockry attended the Annual Mahoning County Engineers' Meeting. They will be paving New Road (from Rt. 46 – Turner) and S. Raccoon Rd (Mahoning – Kirk).

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

ROAD DEPARTMENT AND CEMETERY

January 2017 Monthly report received.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 2017 Monthly report received.

Chief Gavalier announced the K-9 Cairo is going to retire. Chief also stated the department was awarded a \$9,000.00 grant for equipment.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-02: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve authorization for a mutual aid agreement for Mahoning/Trumbull County Law Enforcement Agencies for Police Protection.

WHEREAS, the Austintown Board of Trustees deems it in its best interest to join with the other municipalities, townships and the Counties in such agreement; NOW,

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by The Township of Austintown, State of Ohio:

SECTION I: That the Austintown Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement for Mahoning/Trumbull County Local Government Mutual Aid Agreement for Law Enforcement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof.

SECTION II: That this ruling is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare and shall be effective immediately. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the immediate necessity of entering into the agreement referred to in Section I in order to provide mutual Assistance by the various police agencies within Mahoning and Trumbull Counties.

Pass this _____ day of _____

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 2017 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-03: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the County Hazmat Team with Austintown paying \$0.10 per person per the 2010 Census for an approximate amount of \$3,750.00/year.

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

January 2017 Monthly report received.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-04: Motion by Mr. Davis to approve the following:

RESOLUTION

The **Board of Trustees of Austintown Township, Mahoning County, Ohio**, meeting on **Monday, February 13, 2017**, did adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS: The Board of Trustees of Austintown Township has determined that the following properties constitute a nuisance pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 505.87:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Austintown Township that the following properties constitute a nuisance and the property owners are hereby **ORDERED** to abate, control, or remove said nuisances:

94 Benton Avenue

Parcel No. 48-027-0-118.000

Junk and debris stored in an exposed manner within the driveway and yard area;

2493 Birchwood Drive (vacant)

Parcel No. 48-109-0-159.000

Junk and debris including fallen tree limbs and branches within the front yard and fallen downspouts within rear yard;

4637 Burkey Road (vacant)

Parcel No. 48-114-0-039.000

Junk and debris stored in an exposed manner throughout the property, driveway, beneath the rear deck and rear basement stair well, and garage door in disrepair;

5305 County Line Road

Parcel No. 49-043-0-006.000

Miscellaneous items, junk and debris stored in an exposed manner at the front of the office building;

North Four Mile /East Webb Road (Vacant Lot)

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Parcel No. 48-035-0-019.000
Collapsed accessory building structure;

183 Idaho Road
Parcel No. 48-016-0-025.000
Tree fallen at the easterly rear property;

5192 Mahoning Ave (vacant)
Parcel No. 48-028-0-102.000
Junk and debris including a dismantled high rise sign frame stored in an exposed manner at the property;

Orkney/Burkey (vacant lot)
Parcel No. 48-080-0-153.000
Litter and debris scattered along the westerly side property line; and

4235 Patricia Avenue
Parcel No.48-108-0-173.000
Fence and gate in the front and rear of the property in a dilapidated condition;

If said nuisances is not abated, controlled or provision for its abatement, control, or removal is not made within **SEVEN (7) DAYS** from the below date of adoption, the BOARD OF TRUSTEES will provide for the abatement, control, or removal, and any expenses incurred-**\$500 minimum**-by the Board of Trustees in performing that task will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the land from the date of entry.

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-05: Motion by Mr. Carano to find the following motor vehicles meet all of the following criteria: 1) Three model years or older; 2) Apparently inoperable; and 3) extensively damaged, including, but not limited to, any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine, or transmission and to declare the following vehicles public nuisances under Ohio Revised Code 505.871 and order the removal of the junk vehicles within 14 days after noticed is served to the property owner:

4637 Burkey Road: An inoperable silver Jeep with an expired license plate (KC8VCQ) parked in an exposed manner within the driveway and an inoperable Pontiac Fiero with an expired license plate (NBD 220) parked in an exposed manner within the driveway.

Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes;

and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

Zoning Inspector Darren Crivelli stated the Mahoning County Board of Health received \$300,000.00 to help with failing septic systems.

Mr. Crivelli noted there are new areas that qualify for the Land Bank: North of Mahoning and East of Raccoon.

PARK DEPARTMENT

January 2017 Monthly report received.

Park Supervisor Todd Shaffer announced there will be a Trash and Treasure Sale at the Stacey Pavilion on Saturday, May 20th; 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. to support Austintown Night out.

SENIOR CENTER

January 2017 Monthly report received.

Senior Center Director, Jim Henshaw stated the Center started a Calisthenics class.

FISCAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-06: Motion by Mr. Carano to Accept Reports submitted to Board for review:

- a. Fund Status
- b. Revenue Status
- c. Appropriation Status

Mr. Davis seconded motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-07: Motion by Mr. Davis to Approve ADVANCES from General Fund (1000) to:

- \$150,000.00 to Police (2081)
- \$150,000.00 to Road & Bridge (2031)
- \$150,000.00 to Police (2081)

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

PUBLIC RESPONSE

OFF CAMERA: None

ON CAMERA:

Sam Swoger; 4492 Viall Rd. - Gave an update on Memorial Day Parade – May 29th starting at 10:30 A.M.

Mr. Swoger also announced there will be a ‘Vegas Night’ at the American Legion Post #301.

Dale Basista; 3790 Edinburgh Dr. – commented on the Community Garden Project for Woodside School Property; they’re looking for a volunteer to run project (gardening).

From the Township’s Face Book page regarding the Austintown Woodside Community Gardens – starting with populating the perimeter with wild flowers. The Rotary, Senior Center, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Growth Foundation, Racino, Century 21- Bricks Real Estate, Dr. Facemeyer, and Davey Tree Co. are all interested in helping out.

Lola Simmons; 5346 West Webb Rd. – has concerns on the new day rehab facility at the California Palms. She has safety and security concerns for her neighborhood – have plans been presented to Trustees?
The Township Depts. are working with the facility, but nothing has yet been presented.

Rob Stoneacker; 161 Forest Hill Dr. – had a question on a ‘contract’ with Armstrong.

Mr. Carano said initially Austintown was designated an Armstrong area. Mr. Davis stated the cost of another company coming in would not be cost effective to place their infrastructure in the Township.

REMARKS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

FISCAL OFFICER LAURA L. WOLFE: Had nothing to add

TRUSTEE JAMES C. DAVIS: Commented on Good Morning Austintown at the Hollywood Gaming Racino. He thanked Kim Calvert from the Chambers, Armstrong and Chemical Bank for their sponsorships. Mr. Davis gave kudos to Pat Ginnett of the Mahoning County Engineers’ office for the attention given to Austintown roads. He thanked Mahoning County Commissions for their CDBG Grant to pave roads in the township.

Mr. Davis also thanked Mr. Crivelli for his persistence with the Land Bank to get the township's areas increased and Ron Crum for his grant-writing abilities that help out the township.

TRUSTEE KENNETH A. CARANO: Mentioned the Historical Society and Growth Foundation and in looking for volunteers; young people with active imaginations and creativity.

Mr. Carano urged everyone to drive slowly on New Rd as it won't be paved until August.

TRUSTEE RICHARD A. STAUFFER: Had nothing to add

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-08: Motion by Mr. Davis to recess to Executive Session at 7:10 P.M.:

- a. To consider the appointment, employment, discipline, or compensation of public employees
- b. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-09: Motion by Mr. Carano to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:30 P.M.

Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Stauffer, yes; Mr. Davis, yes; and Mr. Carano, yes.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-10: Motion by Mr. Davis to hire Zachary Williams; after having successfully completed his pre-employment testing, as full time Dispatcher replacing the retired Dispatcher Ralph Kistler.

Mr. Carano seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Davis, yes; Mr. Carano, yes; and Mr. Stauffer, yes.

RESOLUTION #17-02-13-11: Motion by Mr. Carano to adjourn at 8:38 P.M.

Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Carano, yes; Mr. Stauffer, yes; and Mr. Davis, yes.

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This is to certify that the foregoing is an accurate record of the proceedings of the board of township trustees at its meeting held on the date listed above.

Date: _____
_____ **Fiscal Officer**

Approved:

Chairperson Board of Trustees